

Impermissible, Excessive, and Prohibited Contributions
Progressive Vote AKA Progressive Democrats of America (C00402800)

Excessive Contributions from Individuals

Contributor Name	Date	Amount	Report
John C. Cawley	1/21/16	\$5,000.00	2016 February Monthly
John C. Cawley	5/6/16	\$250.00	2016 June Monthly
John C. Cawley	6/6/16	\$250.00	2016 July Monthly
John C. Cawley	7/6/16	\$250.00	2016 August Monthly

Contributions from Unregistered Organizations

Contributor Name	Date	Amount	Report
People's Summit Event registrations	7/6/16	\$11,918.18	2016 August Monthly

Enclosed is a copy of the check for a refund
of donations to John Cawley:

5/6/16 \$250.00
6/6/16 \$250.00
7/6/16 \$250.00
8/6/16 \$250.00
9/6/16 \$250.00
10/6/16 \$250.00

\$1,500.00

This refund will be reported in the Year-End Report.

Kimberly M. Buchan

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Administrative Coordinator

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November 13, 2016

KIMBERLY BUCHAN, TREASURER
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PO BOX 150064
GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49515

Response Due Date
12/19/2016

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00402800

REFERENCE: AUGUST MONTHLY REPORT (07/01/2016 - 07/31/2016)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 2 item(s):

1. Schedule A of your report (see attached) discloses one or more contributions which appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. Please be advised that 52 U.S.C. §30116(f) (formerly 2 U.S.C. §441a(f)) and 11 CFR §§110.1(d) and 110.2(d) prohibit a committee and its affiliates from receiving any contribution from another political committee or person in excess of \$5,000 per calendar year.

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you must amend your original report with the clarifying information.

If any contribution you received exceeds the limits, you may have to refund the excessive amount. The funds can be retained if within 60 days of receipt, (1) the excessive amount was properly reattributed to another person, such as a joint account holder, by obtaining signed written authorizations from each person making the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR 110.1(k)(3), and (2) the treasurer informs the person making the contribution that he or she may request the return of the excessive portion of the contribution if it is not intended to be a joint contribution. Any request from a donor for a refund must be honored.

Alternatively, the funds can be retained if within 60 days of receipt you (1)

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transferred the excessive amount to an account not used to influence federal elections, and (2) provided written notice to the person making the contribution of the option of receiving a refund. Any request from a donor for a refund must be honored.

If the foregoing conditions for reattributions or transfers to a non-federal account were not met within 60 days of receipt, the excessive amount must be refunded.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action promptly in writing and provide a photocopy of your check for any transfer-out or refund. In addition, any reattributions should be reported as memo entries on Schedule A of the report covering the period during which the authorization for the reattribution is received. Any transfers-out or refunds should be disclosed on Schedule B supporting Line 22 or 28 of the report during which the transaction was made.

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the acceptance of an excessive contribution(s), prompt action by your committee to seek reattribution, transfer-out or refund the excessive amount will be taken into consideration.

2. Schedule A supporting Line 11(a)(ii) (see attached) discloses one or more contributions which appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. 52 U.S.C. §30116(f) (formerly 2 U.S.C. §441a(f)) and 11 CFR §§110.1(d) and 110.2(d) prohibit a committee and its affiliates from receiving any contribution from another political committee or person in excess of \$5,000 per calendar year. However, Commission records indicate that your Committee maintains a Non-Contribution Account consistent with the stipulated judgment in Carey v. FEC.

If the apparently excessive contribution(s) in question was deposited into your Non-Contribution Account, please amend your report to disclose "Non-Contribution Account" in the description field or in memo text. For more information please reference the "Reporting Guidance for Political Committees that Maintain a Non-Contribution Account" at <http://www.fec.gov/pages/fecrecord/november2011/fecstatementcareyvfec.shtml>

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Alternatively, the funds can be retained if within 60 days of receipt you (1) transferred the excessive amount to an account not used to influence federal elections, and (2) provided written notice to the person making the contribution of the option of receiving a refund. Any request from a donor for a refund must be honored.

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Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

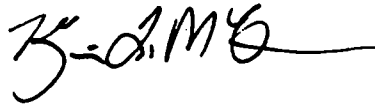
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just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1173.

Sincerely,



Kevin McQueen
Campaign Finance Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

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PO BOX 150064
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December 15, 2016
Date

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Order Of

John Cawley

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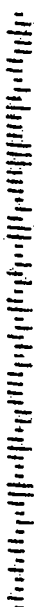
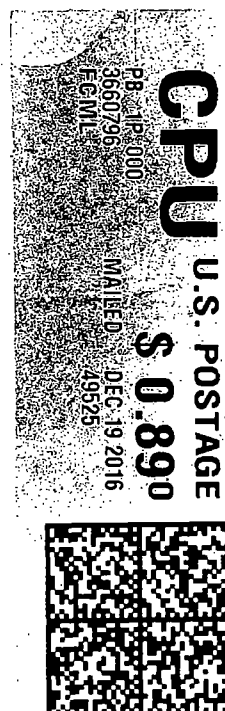
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